have avoided with a balanced budget amendment.

COACH ROBERT HALE

# HON. ROGER WILLIAMS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Monday, July 27, 2015

Mr. WILLIAMS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Coach Robert Hale, a Texas coaching legend in his own right, for his exemplary achievements and positive impact on his students, players, community and the great state of Texas.

In 1968 Coach Hale began his coaching career at Leonard Middle School in Fort Worth, Texas. He went on to become the head coach at 9 different Texas high schools including; Seymore, Dalhart, Lewisville, Burleson, Everman, Pampa, Weatherford, Azle and Crowley. As a coach, he lead his teams to historic victories, including winning the Class 4A state title at Pampa High School in 1996 and defeating defending state champ Fort Worth Dunbar in 2004. In all, Coach Hale amassed a UIL career record of 753–377 and an overall record of 806–387.

Coach Hale has been influential both on and off the basketball court. He taught his students and players life lessons that they could carry with them into adulthood. He took the time to truly influence those around him, and his admirable service has left a lasting mark on his community. I speak on behalf of his son, Colby, when I say he is looked up to by his family and those closest to him.

Today I am proud to say Coach Hale's work has earned him the well-deserved honor of being inducted into the Texas High School Coaches Association's Hall of Honor.

I couldn't be prouder of Coach Hale, and it is my pleasure to recognize his efforts and achievements before the House of Representatives.

TRIBUTE TO THE SIDNEY IOWA CHAMPIONSHIP RODEO

## HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  $Monday, July\ 27,\ 2015$ 

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate a great Iowa institution, the Sidney Championship Rodeo. On August 8th, the Sidney Rodeo will be inducted into the 2015 Pro Rodeo Hall of Fame. The Sidney Rodeo is among the oldest and most prestigious events in the United States. This year, they are celebrating their 92nd year in operation.

The Sidney Championship Rodeo began in 1923 when Earl and Henry Tackett decided to entertain guests of the Old Soldiers Reunion. Members of the Sidney American Legion Post 128 quickly assumed sponsorship and made it an annual event. After 92 years in operation, the Sidney Rodeo arena is one of the best in the country with loyal visitors who travel from near and far for the event. The City of Sidney has 1,150 residents, but during the Rodeo the population swells to 38,000.

For the past 92 years the Sidney Championship Rodeo has accomplished a great deal and is a true testament of hard work and dedication. I commend the Sidney Championship Rodeo for a job well done. I know that my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives join me in honoring the Sidney Rodeo for this great achievement. I wish them nothing but continued success moving forward.

INTRODUCTION OF THE "BUSINESS SUPPLY CHAIN TRANSPARENCY ON TRAFFICKING AND SLAVERY ACT OF 2015"

## HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Monday, July 27, 2015

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to introduce bipartisan legislation along with my fellow co-chair on the Human Trafficking Caucus, Rep. CHRIS SMITH.

Very few Americans are aware that many of the goods they use everyday are tainted by human trafficking or the worst forms of child labor. According to the U.S. Department of Labor's 2014 List of Goods Produced by Child Labor or Forced Labor, 136 goods from 74 countries were made by forced and child labor. This bill will require businesses to disclose policies and practices they employ to eliminate human trafficking from operations and product development.

The Business Supply Chain Transparency on Trafficking and Slavery Act doesn't tell businesses what to do, but rather informs consumers what they are doing to eliminate human slavery from their supply chains.

This legislation would help inform consumers where and how their goods are made. While there are good actors, there are businesses operating in parts of the world that rely on enslaved humans to produce their products. We believe American consumers have a right to know who these companies are.

This legislation creates a market-based solution rather than relying on prescriptive action by the federal government. Large global companies already reporting to the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) simply need to include what they are doing to rid their supply chains of human slavery and post this information on their company websites. Consumers will be empowered to make their purchasing decisions based on the information provided. Very simply, this bill creates an incentive to improve practices to end slavery.

Human trafficking is 21st century slavery. The International Labor Organization estimates that nearly 21 million people are working in some form of forced labor worldwide. We must use every tool available to help these men, women, and children around the world who are enslaved.

TRIBUTE TO SUE BECK

### HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  $Monday, July\ 27,\ 2015$ 

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Sue Beck of Kellerton, Iowa for receiving a 2015 Gov-

ernor's Volunteer Award. Starting in 1983, the Governor's office began awarding state employees who displayed a commitment to volunteerism by helping with various projects or programs within their communities. Since its implementation the award has expanded to any member of the public that displays the necessary attributes for receiving this award.

Sue is a prime example of the dedication and commitment to service that lowans are known for. She selflessly gives her time to programs like the South Central lowa Community Foundation, which aims to improve the quality of life all across the south central region of lowa through the implementation of charitable funds. Each year, they donate more than \$1 million to various organizations in the region.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great pride that I stand here today and recognize Sue for her many years of service and dedication to others in her community. Her volunteerism embodies the lowa spirit and I am honored to represent her, and lowans like her, in the United States Congress. I know that all of my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives will join me in congratulating Sue for her achievements and wish her nothing but continued success.

RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF COLONEL D. SCOTT BRENTON

#### HON. JOHN KATKO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Monday, July 27, 2015

Mr. KATKO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the career of Colonel D. Scott Brenton. Col. Brenton has 27 years of dedicated service with the United States Air Force and the New York Air National Guard. Col. Brenton has been decorated with numerous medals, awards, and service distinctions. It is my honor to recognize such a distinguished citizen and airman.

Col. Brenton began his military career in the Air Force in 1988 at Columbus Air Force Base, Mississippi and finished his training in 1990 at MacDill Air Force Base in Florida. Following his training, Col. Brenton served for one year as an F–16C Pilot and as an Assistant Weapons Officer in the Republic of South Korea. In 1991, Col. Brenton was deployed to Germany where he served as an F–16C Instructor Pilot and Evaluator Pilot until 1995.

In 1995, Col. Brenton was trained in a USAF Fighter Weapons Instructor Course at Nellis Air Force Base, Nevada. For the next three years Col. Brenton was an F-16CJ Instructor, Evaluator, Weapons Officer, and Flight Commander at Shaw Air Force Base, South Carolina. He then returned to Nellis Air Force Base, working as an F-16CG, CJ, CM instructor, and Flight Commander at the USAF Fighter Weapons School from 1998 to 2000. From 2000 to 2001, Col. Brenton served as the Chief Wing Airspace Range Scheduler within the Department of Energy Liaison of the 57th Wing at Nellis Air Force Base. Col. Brenton then became an Assistant Operations Officer, Evaluator, and Program Manager at the USAF Fighter Weapons School for one year at Nellis Air Force Base.

In 2002, Col. Brenton transitioned to Hancock Field Air National Guard Base in Syracuse, New York, where he has since served.